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UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371 IN THE U.S. DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE**

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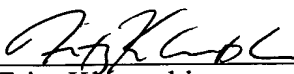
In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office dated November 29, 2005 ("Notification"), Applicants submit herewith: (i) a Declaration executed by the inventors in two counterparts; (ii) an English translation of the specification of International Application No. PCT/CH2002/000337 with drawings; and (iii) a copy of the Notification.

The processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation of the application later than 30 months from the priority date was paid on December 17, 2004. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due for this Response. Should any fees be required, such fees should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-3013.

Also submitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment.

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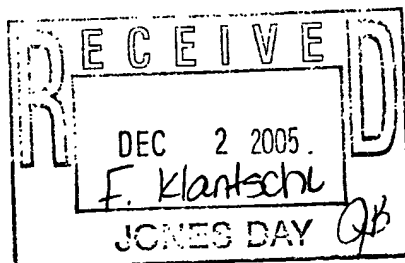


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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/17/2004
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 12/17/2004
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 12/17/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/17/2004

*Oath/dec/Fee w/ Translation
due 1/29/06.*

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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